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PLEADING CYCLE EXTENDED ON APPLICATIONS FOR TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF HAWAIIAN TELCOM, INC. AND HAWAIIAN TELCOM SERVICES COMPANY, INC., DEBTORS-IN-POSSESSION

WC Docket No. 10-41

Reply Comments Due: April 7, 2010

Hawaiian Telcom, Inc. (HTI) and Hawaiian Telcom Services Company, Inc. (HT Services) (together, Applicants), both debtors-in-possession before the United States Bankruptcy Court (Court), filed a series of applications pursuant to sections 214 and 310(d) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §§ 214, 310(d), seeking approval for various assignments and transfers of control of licenses and authorizations. Time Warner Cable (TWC) filed an opposition to the applications on March 24, 2010.

On March 30, 2010, Applicants filed a motion for extension of time requesting a due date for reply of April 7, 2010 rather than March 31, 2007, as established by the original public notice. Applicants state that they have been diligently researching the factual questions raised by the TWC opposition, but have not been able to complete that investigation in the four business days since the opposition was filed, because the allegations do not include specific incidents or dates.² Applicants further state that grant of this request is in the public interest because it will allow them sufficient time to research and respond fully to TWC's claims, and a complete response to those allegations will ensure that the Commission has a complete record on which to make its decision.³

It is the policy of the Commission that extensions of time are not routinely granted.⁴ However, after reviewing the request for extension of time, we have concluded that the public interest would be served by granting the extension Applicants request. The Bureau hereby grants a seven-day extension of

¹ See Applications Filed for the Transfer of Control of Hawaiian Telcom, Inc. and Hawaiian Telcom Services Company, Inc., Debtors-in-Possession, WC Docket No. 10-41, Public Notice, DA 10-409 (rel. March 10, 2010).

² Hawaiian Telcom, Inc. and Hawaiian Telcom Services Company, Inc. Request for Extension, WC Docket No. 10-41 (filed Mar. 30, 2010), at 1-2.

³ *Id*. at 2.

⁴ 47 C.F.R. § 1.46(a).

time for Applicants to file a reply to the opposition to the applications.⁵ Accordingly, the date for filing Applicants' reply is April 7, 2010.

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⁵ See 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291 (describing bureau functions and delegated authority).